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- 10. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, wherein the regular expression and the exemplary expression in question are compared by means of a given reference algorithm that returns an edit script.
- 11. (Amended) A method according to claim 10, wherein the regular expression and the exemplary expression are compared by means of a reference algorithm that returns the shortest possible edit script.
- 16. (Amended) An arrangement according to claim 15, comprising means for modifying the extracted elements so as to be uniform in format.

In the Abstract:

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-- ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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The invention relates to a method for generating rules, by which method data can be regrouped. In addition, the invention relates to an arrangement for realizing this method. The object of the invention is to realize a method and arrangement whereby even a user without any skills in program-writing can generate extraction rules for data areas chosen from the source data. In the method, the information contained in the original data is treated so that from the original source data, the user selects at least two exemplary cases. On the

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basis of the exemplary cases pointed out, there is generated a set of rules, and the data areas according to these rules are extracted from the original source data. The extracted data areas can be further processed in a desired way.--